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Interviews: 1,006 registered voters
Dates: October 13-16, 2006

48 Male
52 Female
[109]

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Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.

The margin of error for 1,006 interviews is $\pm 3.1\%$

Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.

1. First, can you tell me if you are currently registered to vote at this address?

Registered.....	100	CONTINUE	[138]
Not registered.....	-	TERMINATE	
Not sure	-		

2. All in all, do you think that things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	9/8- 11/06+	7/06		High	Low	[139]
				All Adults	Reg. Voters+	9/01	7/92+	
Headed in the right direction.....	26	29	31	27	29	72	14	
Off on the wrong track.....	61	58	54	60	59	11	71	
Mixed (VOL).....	11	11	12	11	11	11	9	
Not sure.....	2	2	3	2	1	6	6	

6/06		4/06	3/06	1/06	12/05
All Adults	Reg. Voters+				
27	28	24	26	31	30
61	60	67	62	57	59
10	10	7	9	10	8
2	2	2	3	2	3

11/05	10/05	9/05	7/05	5/05	4/05
26	28	32	34	35	34
63	59	57	52	52	51
8	10	8	12	10	12
3	3	3	2	3	3
2/05	1/05	12/04	10/04+	9/04+	8/04+
42	40	41	39	39	36
48	47	46	48	49	50
8	10	11	10	10	12

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Q.2 (cont'd)

	<u>7/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>
Headed in the right direction.....	36	36	33	41	47	56	41
Off on the wrong track.....	48	48	50	49	43	30	48
Mixed (VOL).....	14	14	14	5	6	9	8
Not sure.....	2	2	3	5	4	5	3
	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>4/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>
	43	38	42	49	62	36	43
	47	50	44	38	22	47	42
	6	8	9	8	13	14	13
	3	4	4	5	3	3	2
	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>
	44	42	40	52	53	62	70
	42	43	42	31	28	20	15
	14	12	14	14	15	14	12
	-	3	4	3	4	4	3
	<u>9/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>10/00</u>			
	72	43	45	48			
	11	39	36	32			
	11	14	15	18			
	6	4	4	2			

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3a. For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? (IF "REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to? +

18-24.....	5	[140-141]
25-29.....	5	
30-34.....	13	
35-39.....	5	
40-44.....	10	
45-49.....	11	
50-54.....	9	
55-59.....	11	
60-64.....	9	
65-69.....	5	
70-74.....	5	
75 and over.....	11	
Refused.....	1	

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3b. To ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background? +

Yes, Hispanic.....	8	[142]
No, not Hispanic.....	91	
Not sure/refused.....	1	

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3c. And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race—white, black, Asian, or something else? +

White.....	79	[143]
Black.....	10	
Asian.....	1	
Other.....	2	
Hispanic (VOL).....	7	
Not sure/refused.....	1	

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4. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing as president?

	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	9/8- 11/06+	7/06		High 11/01	Low 4/06	
				All Adults	Reg. Voters+			
Approve.....	38	39	42	39	40	88	36	[144]
Disapprove.....	57	56	53	56	55	7	57	
Not sure.....	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	

6/06		4/06	3/06	1/06	12/05	11/05
All Adults	Reg. Voters+					
37	38	36	37	39	39	38
58	57	57	58	54	55	57
5	5	7	5	7	6	5

10/05	9/05	7/05	5/05	4/05	2/05	1/05
39	40	46	47	48	50	50
54	55	49	47	46	45	44
7	5	5	6	6	5	6

12/04	10/04+	9/04+	8/04+	7/04+	6/04+	5/04+
49	49	47	47	48	45	47
44	47	48	48	46	49	46
7	4	5	5	6	6	7

3/04	1/04	12/14/03	12/13/03	11/03	9/03	7/03
50	54	58	52	51	49	56
46	41	34	41	44	45	38
5	6	9	7	5	6	6

5/03+	4/03	3/29- 30/03	3/23/03	3/17/03	2/03 ¹	1/03
62	71	66	67	62	61	54
31	23	29	28	33	31	40
7	6	5	5	5	8	6

10/02+	9/02	7/02	6/02	5/02	4/02	4/01
63	64	67	69	75	74	57
31	30	27	23	18	20	22
6	6	6	8	7	6	21

¹ Overnight poll conducted after Colin Powell's speech to the United Nations.

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5a. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling the economy?

	10/13- 16/06+*	9/30- 10/2/06+	9/8- 11/06+	7/06		High	Low	[145]
				All Adults	Reg. Voters+	12/01	11/05	
Approve.....	44	41	43	41	43	63	34	
Disapprove.....	52	53	52	53	52	25	60	
Not sure.....	4	6	5	6	5	12	6	

6/06					
All Adults	Reg. Voters+	4/06	3/06	1/06	12/05
38	39	35	36	40	38
56	56	60	58	53	54
6	5	5	6	7	8

11/05	9/05	7/05	5/05	4/05	2/05
34	40	39	43	41	46
60	55	54	51	53	50
6	5	7	6	6	4

1/05	12/04	10/04+	9/04+	8/04+	6/04+
47	44	45	45	43	45
47	51	52	51	52	49
6	5	3	4	5	6

5/04+	3/04	1/04	12/13/03	11/03	9/03
41	45	49	48	50	43
53	51	45	46	44	52
6	4	6	6	5	6

7/03	5/03+	4/03	1/03	12/02	10/02+
45	47	49	44	47	48
48	45	42	49	45	44
7	8	9	7	8	8

9/02	7/02	6/02	4/02	1/02	12/01	4/01
48	49	57	61	63	63	52
43	43	34	30	27	25	27
9	8	9	9	10	12	21

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).

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5b. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling the situation in Iraq?

	10/13- 16/06+**	9/8- 11/06+	7/06		6/06		4/06	
			All Adults	Reg. Voters+	All Adults	Reg. Voters+		
Approve.....	33	38	34	35	35	36	33	[146]
Disapprove.....	63	57	61	60	61	61	62	
Not sure.....	4	5	5	5	4	3	5	
	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	
	35	39	36	32	37	39	44	
	61	56	60	64	58	55	52	
	4	5	4	4	5	6	4	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).

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6. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Congress is doing?

	10/13- 16/06+*	9/8- 11/06+	7/06		6/06		High	Low	
			All Adults	Reg. Voters+	All Adults	Reg. Voters+	9/98	4/92+	
Approve.....	16	20	25	24	23	22	61	15	[147]
Disapprove.....	75	65	60	62	64	67	28	78	
Not sure.....	9	15	15	14	13	11	11	7	
	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	
	22	33	29	25	28	29	28	33	
	65	53	56	60	57	53	55	51	
	13	14	15	15	15	18	17	16	
	<u>4/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	
	39	41	40	39	46	39	43	39	
	46	40	42	43	41	47	45	45	
	15	19	18	18	13	14	11	16	
	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	
	42	43	42	44	44	40	34	43	
	45	43	39	39	40	44	48	41	
	13	14	19	17	16	16	18	16	
	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	<u>3/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>12/00</u>	<u>10/00+</u>	
	54	57	47	43	45	48	55	49	
	29	29	34	33	32	35	30	35	
	17	14	19	24	23	17	15	16	
	<u>9/00+</u>	<u>7/00+</u>	<u>6/00+</u>	<u>4/00+</u>	<u>3/00+</u>	<u>1/00</u>	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/99</u>	
	46	46	43	42	43	48	45	42	
	41	42	46	44	40	36	42	45	
	13	12	11	14	17	16	13	13	
	<u>9/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>	<u>1/99</u>	<u>12/98</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>10/94+</u>	<u>9/94</u>
	40	43	40	49	50	44	48	24	23
	49	41	42	38	40	42	39	67	67
	11	16	18	13	10	14	13	9	10

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7. How would you rate the overall performance and accomplishments of this year's Congress--one of the best, above average, average, below average, or one of the worst?

	10/13- 16/06+**	7/05		6/00+	10/99	7/99	[148]
		All Adults	Reg. Voters+				
One of the best.....	1	1	1	2	2	1	
Above average.....	4	6	6	9	11	12	
Average.....	37	47	48	58	54	53	
Below average.....	31	32	32	22	21	25	
One of the worst.....	25	11	11	7	10	7	
Not sure.....	2	3	2	2	2	2	
		<u>12/97</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>10/94</u>	<u>10/91</u>	<u>10/90+</u>	
		2	7	1	+	1	
		11	18	6	5	7	
		56	33	46	45	39	
		22	24	28	32	32	
		6	16	16	14	19	
		3	2	3	3	2	

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8. Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures and organizations, and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as either very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so.

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
George W. Bush							[149]
October 13-16, 2006+.....	19	20	9	15	37	-	
September 30-October 2, 2006+....	22	18	10	14	35	1	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	23	19	9	13	36	-	
July 2006							
All Adults.....	21	18	10	15	36	-	
Registered voters+.....	21	19	10	14	36	-	
June 2006							
All Adults.....	18	21	9	15	37	-	
Registered voters+.....	18	22	7	16	37	-	
April 2006.....	19	20	9	15	37	-	
March 2006.....	20	19	11	14	36	-	
January 2006.....	24	17	12	13	33	1	
December 2005.....	23	19	10	13	35	-	
November 2005.....	20	18	12	15	35	-	
October 2005.....	21	20	11	17	31	-	
September 2005.....	24	18	10	14	34	-	
July 2005.....	27	20	10	15	28	-	
May 2005.....	27	22	10	12	29	-	
April 2005.....	28	20	11	16	25	-	
February 2005.....	31	20	9	13	27	-	
January 2005.....	32	19	9	15	25	-	
October 2004+.....	36	14	6	13	31	-	
June 2004+.....	33	15	8	14	30	-	
January 2004.....	38	17	8	13	24	-	
September 2003.....	35	17	9	15	23	1	
July 2003.....	38	21	9	14	17	-	
January 2003.....	36	20	12	16	16	-	
October 2002+.....	37	24	11	12	15	1	
July 2002.....	40	26	11	11	12	-	
June 2001.....	30	23	16	15	15	1	
January 2001.....	25	25	18	13	17	2	
<i>High</i>							
December 2001.....	54	26	9	6	5	-	
<i>Low</i>							
November 2005.....	20	18	12	15	35	-	

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Q.8 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
The Democratic Party							[150]
October 13-16, 2006+.....	11	26	26	19	16	2	
September 30-October 2, 2006+....	9	29	26	17	17	2	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	11	23	24	21	19	2	
July 2006							
All Adults.....	7	25	27	22	17	2	
Registered voters+.....	7	23	26	24	18	2	
June 2006							
All Adults.....	10	25	25	22	17	1	
Registered voters+.....	9	24	25	23	18	1	
April 2006.....	9	24	27	23	16	1	
March 2006.....	8	24	30	22	15	1	
January 2006.....	11	25	28	20	15	1	
November 2005.....	8	25	29	20	16	2	
October 2005.....	10	24	32	19	13	2	
September 2005.....	11	26	29	18	14	2	
July 2005.....	9	25	28	22	14	2	
May 2005.....	12	26	26	20	14	2	
February 2005.....	14	28	28	16	13	1	
December 2004.....	18	26	22	19	14	1	
October 2004+.....	17	25	22	16	19	1	
September 2004+.....	16	26	20	18	19	1	
August 2004+.....	17	24	23	16	19	1	
July 2004+.....	16	25	24	19	14	2	
September 2003.....	11	29	22	19	16	3	
July 2003.....	11	25	25	20	16	3	
December 2002.....	13	27	27	16	15	2	
July 2002.....	10	29	25	21	13	2	
July 2000+.....	19	27	24	15	14	1	
<i>High</i>							
January 2000.....	20	30	23	15	10	2	
<i>Low</i>							
July 2006.....	7	25	27	22	17	2	

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Q.8 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
The Republican Party							[151]
October 13-16, 2006+.....	11	21	18	19	30	1	
September 30-October 2, 2006+....	11	26	18	17	27	1	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	13	24	17	20	25	1	
July 2006							
All Adults.....	11	22	18	21	25	3	
Registered voters+.....	11	23	17	21	26	2	
June 2006							
All Adults.....	10	24	18	21	26	1	
Registered voters+.....	10	25	17	21	26	1	
April 2006.....	9	26	20	21	22	2	
March 2006.....	10	24	21	22	21	2	
January 2006.....	13	24	20	20	22	1	
November 2005.....	9	23	23	19	24	2	
October 2005.....	13	23	23	20	19	2	
September 2005.....	14	23	20	19	22	2	
July 2005.....	12	26	20	21	20	1	
May 2005.....	13	27	17	19	22	2	
February 2005.....	17	27	19	18	18	1	
December 2004.....	19	27	18	16	18	2	
October 2004+.....	20	24	18	15	22	1	
September 2004+.....	21	22	16	18	22	1	
August 2004+.....	18	26	17	16	22	1	
July 2004+.....	18	25	20	18	18	1	
September 2003.....	17	26	17	19	18	3	
July 2003.....	18	30	16	16	16	3	
December 2002.....	21	26	22	15	14	2	
July 2002.....	18	25	22	17	14	4	
July 2000+.....	15	28	24	16	15	2	
<i>High</i>							
December 2001.....	21	36	18	13	9	3	
<i>Low</i>							
October 1992+.....	10	21	19	23	24	3	

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Q.8 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
Mark Foley							[152]
October 13-16, 2006+.....	-	4	10	11	58	17	
Dennis Hastert							[153]
October 13-16, 2006+.....	4	11	15	16	16	40	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	3	10	17	7	8	55	
December 2002.....	4	8	19	5	2	62	
January 1999.....	1	5	16	2	2	74	
Nancy Pelosi							[154]
October 13-16, 2006+.....	4	10	18	8	17	43	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	4	11	12	7	16	50	
December 2005.....	3	10	20	6	12	49	
February 2005.....	5	10	17	6	10	52	
December 2002.....	3	8	16	4	8	61	

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9a. Please tell me how interested you are in this November's elections, using a scale from one to ten, on which a ten means that you are very interested in this November's elections, and a one means that you are not at all interested. You may choose any number from one to ten, depending on how interested you are.

	<u>10/13- 16/06+</u>	<u>9/30- 10/2/06+</u>	<u>9/8- 11/06+</u>	<u>7/06+</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>4/06+</u>	<u>3/06+</u>	<u>1/06+</u>	
10, very interested.....	53	46	47	51	47	49	45	46	[155-156]
9.....	8	9	8	9	8	7	7	7	
8.....	14	17	16	17	17	17	18	15	
7.....	7	12	10	10	9	10	11	12	
6.....	6	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	
5.....	5	6	8	6	8	7	7	7	
4.....	2	1	2	2	1	2	1	2	
3.....	1	2	1	-	2	-	2	1	
2.....	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	
1, not interested at all.....	3	2	2	1	2	2	3	4	
Cannot rate.....	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	

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9b. Compared with previous elections, are you more enthusiastic about voting than usual, or less enthusiastic?

	<u>10/13- 16/06+</u>	<u>10/6- 8/06¹</u>	<u>11/02</u>	<u>10/98</u>	<u>10/94</u>	
More enthusiastic.....	45	45	41	45	34	[157]
Less enthusiastic.....	29	44	42	38	44	
Same (VOL).....	25	10	15	16	20	
Not sure.....	1	1	2	1	2	

¹ Comparative data taken from surveys conducted by USA Today-Gallup.

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

10. What is your preference for the outcome of this year's congressional elections—a Congress controlled by Republicans or a Congress controlled by Democrats?

	<u>10/13- 16/06+</u>	<u>9/30- 10/2/06+</u>	<u>9/8- 11/06+</u>	<u>7/06+</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>4/06+</u>	<u>3/06+</u>	
Republican-controlled Congress. .	37	39	39	38	38	39	37	[158]
Democrat-controlled Congress.....	52	48	48	48	49	45	50	
Not sure.....	11	13	13	14	13	16	13	
		<u>1/06+</u>	<u>12/05+</u>	<u>11/05+</u>	<u>10/05+</u>	<u>7/05+</u>	<u>5/05+</u>	
		38	38	37	39	40	40	
		47	46	48	48	45	47	
		15	16	15	13	15	13	
		<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	
		43	42	42	41	42	42	
		44	46	44	44	45	43	
		13	12	14	15	13	15	
		<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	
		42	43	42	43	42	44	
		42	42	42	41	41	40	
		16	15	16	16	17	16	
		<u>12/01</u>	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>	
		42	40	39	39	42	41	
		40	44	41	43	41	40	
		18	16	20	18	17	19	
		<u>3/99</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>9/98</u>	<u>7/98</u>	<u>6/98</u>	<u>4/98</u>	
		37	41	40	41	39	37	
		43	43	39	40	40	41	
		20	16	21	19	21	22	
		<u>2/98</u>	<u>1/98</u>	<u>12/97</u>	<u>9/97</u>	<u>7/97</u>	<u>4/97</u>	
		41	40	41	41	45	44	
		37	42	37	39	39	38	
		22	18	22	20	16	18	
		<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>10/94</u>				
		41	42	44				
		38	41	38				
		21	17	18				

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

11. In November's election for U.S. Congress, do you feel that your representative deserves to be reelected, or do you think that it is time to give a new person a chance?

	<u>10/13- 16/06+</u>	<u>9/30- 10/2/06+</u>	<u>9/8- 11/06+</u>	<u>7/06+</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>3/06+</u>	<u>1/06+</u>	<u>12/05+</u>	[167]
Deserves to be reelected.....	39	38	41	38	42	41	41	41	
Give new person a chance.....	45	45	43	48	45	48	46	44	
Not sure.....	16	17	16	14	13	11	13	15	
		<u>11/05+</u>	<u>5/05+</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>10/00+</u>	<u>9/00+</u>	
		37	42	49	42	41	50	49	
		51	45	34	39	42	35	38	
		12	13	17	19	17	15	13	
		<u>6/00+</u>	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>12/97+</u>	<u>10/94+</u>	<u>9/94</u>	<u>5/94</u>	
		49	42	48	41	39	30	34	
		39	47	37	45	49	53	50	
		12	11	15	14	12	17	16	
		<u>1/94</u>	<u>10/93</u>	<u>9/93</u>	<u>7/93</u>	<u>10/92+</u>	<u>9/92+</u>	<u>7/92+</u>	
		35	34	37	30	31	31	27	
		47	52	47	55	56	56	62	
		18	14	16	15	13	13	11	
		<u>4/92+</u>	<u>2/92+</u>	<u>1/92+</u>	<u>12/91+</u>	<u>10/91+</u>	<u>10/90+</u>	<u>11/89+</u>	
		33	37	42	35	40	39	41	
		57	52	48	52	48	48	36	
		10	11	10	13	12	13	23	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

12. In deciding whether to vote for your member of Congress, which is more important to you--your congressperson's position on national issues or your congressperson's performance in taking care of problems in your district?

	<u>10/13- 16/06+*</u>	<u>7/06+</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>4/06+</u>	<u>3/06+</u>	<u>10/94+</u>	[168]
Position on national issues.....	39	40	37	43	44	35	
Performance in district.....	39	36	40	38	40	51	
Both/neither (VOL).....	21	23	21	18	15	13	
Not sure.....	1	1	2	1	1	1	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

13. Will your vote for Congress this November be a vote to send a signal of support for President Bush, a signal of opposition to President Bush, or not a signal either way about President Bush?

	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	9/8- 11/06+	7/06+	6/06+	
A vote to send signal of support for Bush.....	22	28	25	21	21	[169]
A vote to send signal of opposition to Bush....	38	39	37	38	38	
Not a signal either way about Bush.....	38	31	36	39	39	
Do not plan to vote (VOL).....	-	-	-	-	-	
Not sure.....	2	2	2	2	2	

	4/06+	3/06+	11/05+	10/02+ ¹	Bill Clinton 10/98+ ²
	21	20	21	31	28
	31	37	39	19	23
	45	41	36	49	49
	-	-	1	-	NA
	3	2	3	1	-

¹ In October 2002, the question was phrased, "Is your vote for Congress this November a vote to send a signal of support for President Bush, a signal of opposition to President Bush, or not a signal either way about President Bush?"

² In October 1998, the question was phrased, "Is your vote for Congress this November a vote to send a signal of support for Bill Clinton, a signal of opposition to Bill Clinton, or not a signal either way about Bill Clinton?"

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 14a. If the Republicans were to control the House of Representatives, the U.S. Senate, and the White House, do you think that it would be a good thing, a bad thing, or would it not make much difference to you?

	10/13- 16/06+	10/02+	
A good thing.....	26	31	[170]
A bad thing.....	48	41	
Would not make much difference to me....	24	25	
Not sure.....	2	3	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 14b. If the Democrats were to control the House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate, do you think that it would be a good thing, a bad thing, or would it not make much difference to you?

	10/13- 16/06+	10/02+	
A good thing.....	40	32	[171]
A bad thing.....	30	34	
Would not make much difference to me...	26	30	
Not sure.....	4	4	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 15a. Has what you have seen and heard over the past few weeks made you feel more favorable, less favorable, or had no effect on your feelings about possibly having the Democrats become the majority party in Congress?

	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	
More favorable.....	37	34	[172]
Less favorable.....	22	23	
No effect.....	37	37	
Have not seen/heard enough to say (VOL)...	2	4	
Not sure.....	2	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 15b. Has what you have seen and heard over the past few weeks made you feel more favorable, less favorable, or had no effect on your feelings about possibly having the Republicans maintain the majority in Congress?

	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	
More favorable.....	14	18	[173]
Less favorable.....	47	41	
No effect.....	35	35	
Have not seen/heard enough to say (VOL)...	2	4	
Not sure.....	2	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

16. I'm going to read you a statement. Please tell me how much you agree or disagree with this statement using a five-point scale. On this scale a five means you totally agree with this statement and a one means you totally disagree. You may use any number from one to five depending on how much you agree or disagree with the statement. In a time of economic uncertainty and potential terrorism, it makes sense to have unity and cooperation in the government with a majority in Congress and a president who are of the same party. +

5, totally agree.....	33	[215]
4.....	17	
3.....	21	
2.....	10	
1, totally disagree.....	18	
Cannot rate.....	1	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

17. As you may know, there have been a number of allegations of ethics violations and misconduct by members of Congress. Do you think this Congress has had more ethical problems than those in the past, fewer ethical problems than those in the past, or about the same number of ethical problems as those in the past?

	10/13- 16/06+	6/06		
		All Adults	Reg. Voters+	
More ethical problems.....	33	33	34	[216]
Fewer ethical problems.....	3	3	2	
About the same number of ethical problems. .	62	60	60	
Not sure.....	2	4	4	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

18. Of the following issues, please tell me which one or two are going to be most important to you in deciding your vote for Congress in November. **(IF MORE THAN TWO, ASK:)** Well, if you had to pick just one or two, which would they be?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	
The war in Iraq.....	35	36	[217-218]
Job creation and economic growth.....	24	23	>
Terrorism.....	23	22	
Health care.....	20	19	
Illegal immigration.....	19	20	
Social Security and Medicare.....	17	16	
Moral values.....	13	15	
The cost of gas and energy.....	11	11	
Other (VOL).....	1	1	
All equally (VOL).....	11	9	
None of these (VOL).....	-	-	
Not sure.....	-	-	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 19a. I'm going to read you several reasons that some people have given for why people should vote for Republican candidates for Congress in this November's election. Please tell me which one or two, if any, are most important to you personally. **(IF "ALL," ASK:)** Well, which one or two would you say are MOST important to you? +

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

They are tough on terrorism.....	24	[219]
Their conservative position on issues of moral values.....	18	>
Their economic policies are helping to improve the economy....	18	
Their efforts to halt illegal immigration.....	16	
They will continue to reduce taxes.....	14	
None.....	34	
All (VOL).....	6	
Not sure.....	3	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 19b. I'm going to read you several reasons that some people have given for why people should vote for Democratic candidates for Congress in this November's election. Please tell me which one or two, if any, are most important to you personally. (IF "ALL," ASK:) Well, which one or two would you say are MOST important to you? +

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

They will set a new course in Iraq.....	25	[220]
They will provide a check on the policies of the Bush administration..	23	>
They will protect Social Security.....	20	
They will expand the number of people who have health insurance....	20	
Their economic policies will help to improve the economy.....	15	
None.....	26	
All (VOL).....	9	
Not sure.....	3	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

20. When it comes to (READ ITEM), which party do you think would do a better job—the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, or both about the same? If you think that neither would do a good job, please just say so.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY DEMOCRATIC PARTY ADVANTAGE

	Party Advantage	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both About The Same	Neither	Not Sure	
Dealing with Social Security							[229]
October 13-16, 2006+ **.....	D-28	48	20	18	10	4	
September 8-11, 2006.....	D-23	42	19	17	16	6	
November 2005							
All Adults.....	D-22	44	22	13	16	5	
Registered voters+.....	D-24	46	22	11	17	4	
December 2004.....	D-15	38	23	20	13	6	
January 2004.....	D-20	45	25	16	11	3	
December 13, 2003.....	D-15	39	24	18	13	7	
October 2002+.....	D-23	43	20	19	13	5	
June 2002.....	D-15	36	21	26	12	5	
June 2001.....	D-15	38	23	22	11	6	
December 1999.....	D-15	38	23	18	14	7	
March 1999.....	D-18	39	21	23	11	6	
October 1998+.....	D-23	44	21	25	6	4	
September 1998.....	D-16	37	21	25	13	4	
July 1998.....	D-9	28	19	34	14	5	
January 1998.....	D-11	26	15	34	18	7	
September 1997.....	D-14	33	19	18	22	8	
October 1996.....	D-12	36	24	17	15	8	
December 1995.....	D-22	44	22	14	14	6	
June 1995.....	D-9	35	26	16	15	8	
November 1994.....	D-5	32	27	15	16	10	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q.20 (cont'd)	Party Advantage	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both About The Same	Neither	Not Sure	
Dealing with the economy							[225]
October 13-16, 2006+ *	D-13	43	30	17	7	3	
September 2006+.....	D-12	40	28	17	10	5	
March 2006							
All Adults.....	D-12	39	27	20	11	3	
Registered voters+.....	D-11	39	28	19	11	3	
November 2005							
ALL ADULTS.....	D-14	39	25	17	14	5	
Registered voters+.....	D-14	40	26	17	13	4	
December 2004.....	D-9	39	30	20	7	4	
July 2004+.....	D-8	40	32	19	7	2	
January 2004+.....	R-2	36	38	15	8	2	
December 13, 2003.....	R-1	37	38	14	7	5	
October 2002+.....	D-6	36	30	21	9	4	
June 2002.....	D-1	32	31	24	9	4	
June 2001.....	D-6	37	31	20	6	6	
December 1999.....	D-3	34	31	24	7	4	
March 1999.....	D-6	35	29	26	6	4	
September 1998.....	-	31	31	29	6	3	
September 1997.....	R-9	25	34	26	9	6	
October 1996.....	D-4	36	32	15	10	7	
May 1996+.....	R-4	26	30	27	14	3	
December 1995.....	R-8	22	30	27	17	4	
June 1995.....	R-12	17	29	29	23	2	
October 1994.....	R-8	22	30	28	16	4	
July 1994.....	R-11	18	29	32	17	4	
June 1994.....	R-5	21	26	39	12	2	
October 1993.....	R-5	22	27	20	28	3	
March 1993.....	D-16	34	18	34	11	3	
July 1992+.....	D-8	26	18	35	18	3	
May 1992.....	D-6	29	23	26	17	5	
January 1992+.....	D-5	28	23	33	12	4	
October 1991+.....	R-1	27	28	26	14	5	
Dealing with ethics in government							[228]
October 13-16, 2006+ **	D-10	29	19	23	26	3	
March 2006							
All Adults.....	D-6	25	19	29	22	5	
Registered voters+.....	D-6	26	20	28	22	4	
November 2005 ¹							
All Adults.....	D-5	27	22	19	26	6	
Registered voters+.....	D-4	26	22	19	26	7	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).

¹In November 2005, the item was phrased, "Promoting ethics in government."

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q.20 (cont'd)	Party Advantage	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both About The Same	Neither	Not Sure	
Dealing with Iraq							[221/226]
October 13-16, 2006+.....	D-8	39	31	14	12	4	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	R-5	29	34	16	15	6	
March 2006							
All Adults.....	R-3	27	30	21	16	6	
Registered voters+.....	R-4	27	31	21	15	6	
November 2005							
All Adults.....	D-3	33	30	14	17	6	
Registered voters+.....	-	32	32	13	17	6	
December 2004.....	R-15	27	42	17	10	4	
July 2004+.....	R-8	31	39	16	10	4	
January 2004+.....	R-27	22	49	14	12	4	
December 13, 2003.....	R-21	24	45	13	7	11	
October 2002+.....	R-30	17	47	21	8	7	
Dealing with immigration							[224]
October 13-16, 2006+ *.....	D-3	28	25	21	19	7	
September 8-11, 2006+.....	D-2	24	22	21	22	11	
November 2005							
All Adults.....	D-6	25	19	21	26	9	
Registered voters+.....	D-4	24	20	22	26	8	
Dealing with the development of nuclear weapons by other countries							[222/227]
October 13-16, 2006+.....	R-4	26	30	26	13	5	
Dealing with the war on terrorism							[230]
October 13-16, 2006+ **.....	R-10	25	35	25	11	4	
September 8-11, 2006+ **.....	R-14	24	38	21	12	5	
November 2005							
All Adults.....	R-9	26	35	23	11	5	
Registered voters+.....	R-9	27	36	21	11	5	
December 2004.....	R-18	24	42	22	7	5	
January 2004.....	R-24	23	46	22	6	3	
December 13, 2003.....	R-26	20	46	19	9	5	
October 2002+.....	R-36	13	49	27	6	5	
Promoting strong moral values							[223]
October 13-16, 2006+ *.....	R-13	20	33	19	24	4	
November 2005							
All Adults.....	R-17	18	35	22	21	4	
Registered voters+.....	R-17	19	36	22	20	3	
December 2004.....	R-21	21	42	22	12	3	
January 2004.....	R-22	23	45	18	13	2	
December 13, 2003.....	R-23	20	42	15	15	8	
June 2001.....	R-22	18	40	23	16	3	
December 1999.....	R-21	16	37	23	20	4	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

21a. Now I'm going to read you several events that have happened in the past month or two. For each one, please tell me whether that event is extremely important, very important, not too important, or not at all important to you in deciding how you will vote in this November's election for Congress. +

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY EXTREMELY IMPORTANT

	<u>Extremely Important</u>	<u>Very Important</u>	<u>Not Too Important</u>	<u>Not Important At All</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
North Korea testing a nuclear weapon **.....	34	44	15	6	1	[238]
Recent developments in the war in Iraq *.....	31	49	13	6	1	[233]
Overall condition of the economy **.....	30	57	11	2	-	[236]
The revelation of a congressman sending inappropriate e-mails to congressional pages *.....	22	28	23	25	2	[231]
The decline in the price of gasoline *.....	19	36	24	20	1	[234]
Criticism of the current Iraq plan by retired American military leaders **.....	15	42	26	15	2	[235]
The passage of a bill that would begin to fund the building of a fence along the border with Mexico **...	13	31	30	24	2	[237]
The improvement in the stock market *.....	9	36	30	22	3	[232]

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).

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21b. I'm going to read you these events again. Please tell me whether each event makes you more likely to vote for the Democratic candidate for Congress in your district, the Republican candidate for Congress in your district, or would it make no difference to your vote one way or the other? +

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY DEMOCRATIC PARTY ADVANTAGE

	<u>Party Advantage</u>	<u>Democratic Candidate</u>	<u>Republican Candidate</u>	<u>No Difference Either Way</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
Criticism of the current Iraq plan by retired American military leaders **.....	D-26	44	18	34	4	[243]
Recent developments in the war in Iraq *.....	D-20	45	25	29	1	[241]
The revelation of a congressman sending inappropriate e-mails to congressional pages *.....	D-19	29	10	58	3	[239]
Overall condition of the economy **.....	D-10	41	31	24	4	[244]
The decline in the price of gasoline *.....	D-9	25	16	57	2	[242]
The passage of a bill that would begin to fund the building of a fence along the border with Mexico **...	D-1	27	26	42	5	[245]
North Korea testing a nuclear weapon **.....	R-2	31	33	31	5	[246]
The improvement in the stock market *.....	R-3	19	22	57	2	[240]

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

22. Have you heard about a situation involving former Congressman Mark Foley sending inappropriate e-mails to congressional pages? **(IF "YES," ASK:)** Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the actions that the Republican leadership in Congress has taken to respond to this situation? +

Have heard—satisfied.....	27	[247]
Have heard—dissatisfied.....	55	
Have heard—no opinion (VOL).....	7	
Have not heard.....	7	
Not sure.....	4	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

On a different subject . . .

23. Do you think the war in Afghanistan against the Taliban and Al Qaeda has been very successful, somewhat successful, somewhat unsuccessful, or very unsuccessful? +

Very successful.....	9	[248]
Somewhat successful.....	42	
Somewhat unsuccessful.....	23	
Very unsuccessful.....	24	
Not sure.....	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

24. Do you think that capturing or killing Osama bin Laden is necessary to successfully conclude the campaign in Afghanistan, or not?

		9/03					[249] 1
		All Adult S	Reg. Voters+	6/02	4/02	1/02	
10/13-16/06+							
Capturing or killing is necessary.....	39	48	45	41	49	44	
Capturing or killing is NOT necessary.....	56	45	47	54	46	52	
Not sure.....	5	8	8	5	5	4	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

25. If North Korea continues with its weapons development program and continues to launch test missiles, do you believe that the United States should or should not initiate military action to destroy North Korea's ability to make weapons? If you have not been following this situation, please just say so. **(IF "SHOULD" OR "SHOULD NOT," ASK:)** And do you feel strongly about that, or not?

		7/06		[250 1]
		All Adults	Reg. Voters+	
	10/13- 16/06+			
Should Initiate Military Action				
Feel strongly.....	24	30	31	
Do not feel strongly.....	8	12	11	
Should Not Initiate Military Action				
Do not feel strongly.....	15	12	12	
Feel strongly.....	42	34	35	
Have not been following situation.....	3	4	3	
Not sure.....	8	8	8	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

26. As you may know, North Korea is believed to have recently had a test explosion of a nuclear weapon. Do you believe that this is something the United States had the ability to prevent, or do you think that this is something the United States did NOT have the ability to prevent? +

Had the ability to prevent.....	30	[251]
Did NOT have the ability to prevent.....	63	
Not sure.....	7	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Turning to the war in Iraq . . .

27. Based on what you have seen happening in Iraq over the course of the past month, do you feel more optimistic or more pessimistic about the way things are going in Iraq?

	10/13- 16/06+	6/06		[252]
		All Adults	Reg. Voters+	
More optimistic.....	20	46	45	
Less optimistic.....	68	44	44	
No difference (VOL).....	9	6	7	
Not sure.....	3	4	4	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

28. Do you think that America's safety from terrorism depends upon our success in the war in Iraq, or does it NOT depend upon our success in the war in Iraq?

	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	[253]
Depends upon our success in Iraq.....	37	37	
Does NOT depend upon our success in Iraq.....	58	57	
Not sure.....	5	6	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

29. Do you feel that the United States has accomplished as much as can be expected in Iraq or do you feel that the United States can be expected to accomplish more?

	10/13- 16/06+	3/06	[254]
Accomplished as much as can be expected.....	43	52	
Can be expected to accomplish more.....	48	42	
Not sure.....	9	6	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

30. Do you think that President Bush has or has not given good reasons for why the United States must keep troops in Iraq?

	10/13- 16/06+*	1/06	12/05	11/05	
Has given good reasons.....	39	43	42	38	[255]
Has not given good reasons.....	57	52	54	58	
Not sure.....	4	5	4	4	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

31. Thinking about the situation today in Iraq, do you think the violence in that country is BETTER described as Iraqis fighting against each other in a civil war OR Iraqis and foreign terrorists fighting against American soldiers? + **

Iraqis fighting against each other in a civil war.....	40	[256]
Iraqis and foreign terrorists fighting against American soldiers.....	31	
Some of both (VOL).....	26	
Not sure.....	3	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

FACTUALS: Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

- F1. A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in the November 2004 election for president? (IF "YES," ASK:) For whom did you vote—George W. Bush, John Kerry, or someone else? +

Voted—George W. Bush.....	46	[257]
Voted—John Kerry.....	41	
Voted—someone else.....	4	
Voted—refused (VOL).....	2	
Did not vote.....	6	
Not sure.....	1	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- F2. Are you currently employed? (IF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED:) What type of work do you do?

(IF NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED:) Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work? +

<u>Currently Employed</u>		
Professional/ manager.....	23	[258-265]
White-collar worker.....	19	
Blue-collar worker.....	15	
Farmer, rancher.....	-	
<u>Not Currently Employed</u>		
Student.....	3	
Homemaker.....	7	
Retired.....	27	
Unemployed, looking for work.....	3	
Other.....	-	
Not sure.....	3	

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- F3. What is the last grade that you completed in school? +

Grade school.....	1	[266-267]
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Some high school.....	4
High school graduate.....	24
Some college, no degree.....	18
Vocational training/2-year college.....	11
4-year college/bachelor's degree.....	22
Some postgraduate work, no degree.....	2
2 or 3 years' postgraduate work/master's degree....	13
Doctoral/law degree.....	3
Not sure/refused.....	2

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- F4. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? (IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? (IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent? +

Strong Democrat.....	21	[268]
Not very strong Democrat.....	7	
Independent/lean Democrat.....	15	
Strictly independent.....	15	
Independent/lean Republican.....	10	
Not very strong Republican.....	9	
Strong Republican.....	18	
Other.....	3	
Not sure/nothing.....	2	

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- F5. Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate, or conservative? +

Liberal.....	21	[269]
Moderate.....	37	
Conservative.....	37	
Not sure.....	5	

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- F6a. What is your religion? +

Protestant (includes Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, and other Christians).....	53	CONTINUE	[270]
Catholic.....	25		
Jewish.....	1	Skip to Q.F7	
Muslim.....	-		
Other.....	9		
None.....	8	CONTINUE	
Not sure/refused.....	4		

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(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "PROTESTANT," "OTHER," "NONE," OR "NOT SURE" IN Q.F7a.)

F6b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way? +

Fundamentalist/evangelical.....	20	[271]
Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical.....	46	
Not sure.....	8	
Catholic/Jewish/Muslim (Q.F6a).....	26	

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F7. How often do you attend services at a church, synagogue, mosque, or other place of worship? +

Never.....	14	[272]
Once a year.....	7	
A few times a year.....	16	
Once a month.....	6	
About twice a month.....	8	
Once a week or more often.....	44	
Not sure.....	5	

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F8. Are you currently single and never married, unmarried and living with a partner, married, separated, widowed, or divorced? +

Single.....	16	[273]
Unmarried, living with partner.....	3	
Married.....	61	
Separated.....	1	
Widowed.....	8	
Divorced.....	9	
Other (VOL).....	-	
Not sure/refused.....	2	

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F9. Are you a member of a labor union? (IF "NO," ASK:) Is anyone else in this household a member of a labor union? +

Labor union member.....	11	[274]
Labor union household.....	6	
Non-union household.....	81	
Not sure.....	2	

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F10. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between twenty thousand dollars and thirty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred thousand dollars, or would the total be more than that? +

Less than \$10,000.....	4	[275]
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000.....	7	
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000.....	7	
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000.....	9	
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000.....	9	
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000.....	19	
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000.....	12	
More than \$100,000.....	16	
Not sure/refused.....	17	

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